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EXPLANATION OF JAPAN'S APPALLING SUICIDE RECORD

A Japanese View as Contrasted With Western Abhorrence of Self Destruction—Revival in Monday—Items of Interest.

By SOUTHERN MISSIONARY NEWS BUREAU
Ida Clyde Clarke—Editor

H. W. Myers, writing from Kobe, Japan, gives this striking story of a Japanese view of suicide:

"Early in December a Buddhist priest living in Osaka found he had lost two yen—one dollar—and he accused a little girl of twelve years living next door of taking his money. The little girl denied all knowledge of the theft, but the priest insisted that she had taken the money and must return it. In great distress the little girl finally wrote a letter to her parents expressing regret that she would be unable to grow up and care for them in their old age, and urging them to give her little brother a good education and make a man of him. Then she tied a cord around her neck and hanged herself to a rafter to prove her innocence of the theft.

"The sequel to this sad event was striking. The leading papers gave columns of space to the event, praising the spirit of the little girl, and opening a subscription list for her family. In a short time more than five hundred yen was subscribed in sums ranging from a few sen up to a yen, to be used in erecting a monument to the little girl and in giving her an education to her brother. Nowhere do we see anything but praise for the girl's action.

"Similar to the above was the case of a poor woman in a small town south of Tokushima. As she bought some vegetables from a passing vendor, she noticed that his lamona was torn and volunteered to mend it for him. While so engaged her husband suddenly returned, and angrily accused her of unfaithfulness. The poor woman got a cord as soon as he left the house and hanged herself to prove her faithfulness.

"The suicide of General Nogai on the occasion of the funeral of the late emperor has been given wide publicity, and numerous explanations have been given to his real purpose. A protest against the decay of the old spirit of loyalty, and a desire to accompany the dead emperor seem to have been his chief motives. Recently a wealthy Kobe merchant devoted nearly the whole of his fortune of a million yen to erecting a shrine in memory of General Nogai, and he and his wife plan to spend the remainder of their lives as keepers of the shrine. No doubt this crowning act of loyalty will serve to enshrine Nogai among the greatest of national heroes, and thousands will come from all quarters to worship at his shrine. We have heard of one obscure Christian

paper that had the hardihood to express disapproval of General Nogai's suicide.

"Hardly a day passes without seeing the report of the suicide of some student who had failed on an examination, or of some lovers who would prove their undying love by dying together. These cases are published far and wide, and in many instances are held up for admiration, if not for imitation.

"Along with these we find a considerable number who have fallen into disgrace, and take their own lives rather than face the shame. These are held to have atoned in some measure at least for their misdeeds.

"The above view of suicide stands in striking contrast with the abhorrence with which westerners regard suicide in almost any form, and explains the terrible prevalence of suicide in Japan.

"It would take us beyond the scope of this article to discuss the causes that have brought the Japanese people to this attitude, but certainly the only remedy for it is the faith in a personal God, a living Savior and a life beyond the grave."

Revival in Montevideo

Members of the official board in the Cordoba (Uruguay) Methodist church are asking their pastor what a revival is like. "They have heard reports of our Montevideo meetings," writes Rev. George P. Howard, "in which eighty-six converts were won to Christ. The campaign lasted two weeks, and might have been continued even longer if we had seen a way to train and care for a larger group of new Christians. Many of our native pastors are unfamiliar with the direct evangelistic appeal used in revival services of the United States. These meetings have greatly stimulated both our pastors and workers, and we hope soon to start another similar campaign here."

Would You Like This?

This was not written for publication. It came at the close of a letter from the wife of a missionary in Africa. She says: "You must excuse my replying in Mr. Springer's place, but he is at the present moment engaged in the unpoetical, but very useful occupation of nailing cement casks on our kitchen roof—and the rains are now on vigorously. In the morning his time is nearly all used in the school room or interviewing boys, of whom the Lord is sending many just now to inquire about entering the school. In the

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HOPKINS CO. MEDICAL SOCIETY

Hold Interesting Meeting and Endorse Movement for County Sanitarium

FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

At the regular meeting of the Hopkins County Medical Association held in the Y. M. C. A. building in Madisonville Tuesday afternoon. The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Hopkins county has one of the most alarming death rates from tuberculosis in the state, being practically one out of every five deaths, and

Whereas, Tuberculosis is now recognized as curable as well as preventable, but only when properly managed, and

Whereas, The county sanitarium has proven in the experience of the entire medical profession to be the best means to combat with conditions, such as now prevail in the county, and

Whereas, A statement from those best informed shows that this county is abundantly able to build and maintain a suitable institution for the purpose, therefore be it

Resolved, That we unqualifiedly and emphatically endorse the plan of declaring Hopkins county a sanitarium district and ask that the fiscal court at its next meeting give this matter their most favorable consideration.

Dr. F. P. STROTHER, Pres.
Dr. A. O. SISK, Secretary.

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To every one who pays their subscription to the Bee within the next ten days we will give a handsome reproduction of the old masters. Passe par route frame. Among these pictures are, "The Angelus," "The Old Homestead," "The Old Mill," "Wild Arabian Horses," "Ship That Pass in the Night" and many others of interest. Remember we give them absolutely free while they last, and as we have only a limited number on hand, better get yours now.

HEALTH EXHIBIT CAR WILL PROBABLY BE HERE

Exact Time and Duration of Stay Not Yet Decided on

PROBABLY ABOUT MARCH 17TH

Prof. Faulkner who is in charge of the Health Exhibit Car now in Madisonville in conversation with a Bee representative said: "The car would be in Earlinton in a short time, probably by March 17th, and he hoped every citizen of the town would take advantage of the opportunity to visit this car."

The car will likely make a tour of Hopkins County, but this depends on the action of the fiscal court which will convene March 10th.

An effort is being made to establish County Sanitarium, a 12 to 15 bed ward would be sufficient to start with and would cost between twelve and fifteen thousand dollars. The fiscal court has the power to declare Hopkins County a Tuberculosis district and appropriate sufficient funds for the erection of this sanitarium. This question will be taken up at the meeting of the fiscal court on Tuesday, March 10.

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Paul P. Price, Clerk.

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MANAGER JOHN LONG

Has Something Good for Earlinton People Tuesday Night March 10.

"THE PRINCE OF TONIGHT" BOOKED

"The Prince of Tonight" the best show that has been here for sometime, comes to the Temple Theatre on Tuesday evening, March 10. There are three acts and four scenes in this high class performance and a strong guarantee from the company insures of the very best shows that has been produced in this section of the country this season. The entire production will be shown in Earlinton just as it was in Chicago. Earlinton people cannot afford to miss seeing "The Prince of Tonight."

Chronic Stomach Trouble Cured

There is nothing more discouraging than a chronic disorder of the stomach. It is not surprising that many suffer for years with such an ailment when a permanent cure is within their reach and may be had for a trifle? "About one year ago," says P. H. Beck, of Wakelee, Mich., "I bought a package of Chamberlain's Tablets, and since using them I have felt perfectly well. I had previously used any number of different medicines, but none of them were of any lasting benefit. For sale by all Dealers."

WRIGHTSTOWN, NEW JERSEY, SNOWBOUND FOR THREE DAYS

All Roads Blocked by Huge Snow Drift—Home of Mrs. Jno. B. Atkinson

New York, March 4.—Wrightstown, a village in Burlington County, N. J., on the Pemberton & Hightstown railroad, was completely isolated for three days as a result of the recent storm. All roads were blocked by high snow drifts, and not a person, it is stated, had entered or left the town from the time it became snowbound Sunday night until today.

The railroad, according to word received here, succeeded in breaking the blockade early today.

Mrs. John B. Atkinson's farm is three miles from Wrightstown, which is the shipping station for the milk from numerous dairy farms in that section and for various products, as well as receiving station for freight, express and mail. The rural mail delivery goes from Wrightstown to "The Locusts," Mrs. Atkinson's farm, and a considerable scope of thickly settled country.

H. D. COWAND GOES IN BUSINESS FOR HIMSELF

Opens Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes and Gents' Furnishing Store

Mr. H. D. Cowand who has been manager of the firm of Barnes, Cowand & Co., for several years has severed connection with this concern and opened a store in the old Boardland & Mothershead stand. Mr. Cowand is well known in this community as an enterprising business man and has demonstrated his ability along this line while with the firm of Barnes, Cowand & Co. He expects to handle and extensive line of up-to-date goods and is now in the eastern markets purchasing his new spring stock. Mr. Cowand asks that the people of Earlinton and surrounding country give him a portion of their trade assuring them they will always receive full values and courteous treatment.

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